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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is intended to be a complete response to Examiner's Office Action dated January 14,
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In the Claims

Please cancel dependent Claims 6, 12, and 18.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (currently amended): A method of providing remote access to a non-Internet enabled software application for displaying utility data, the method comprising:

providing a host system capable of communicating with a client system over an Internet connection, the host system having an Internet-ready frame work;

embedding the non-Internet enabled software application in the Internet-ready framework locally on the host system; and

permitting selective access to the host system by the client system to access and run the non-Internet enabled software application to display utility data which includes a fine timescale utility consumption time series measured every few minutes.

2. (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the utility data are acquired automatically from one or more remote terminal units.

3. (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the utility data include power use data.

4. (original): The method of claim 1 further comprising:

prompting a user of the client system to enter a password; and

permitting access to the host system only if the password entered by the user is identical to a predetermined password.